LESSON 13: Lamentation!

RIVAL SPORTS!
FROM 765 PRO TO 961 PRO
"THE REASON'S STILL A SECRET"
BIG SHOCK TO IDOL WORLD
3RD ON ORICON CHARTS WITH "OVERMASTER!!!"
PROJECT FAIRY, 961 PRO'S NEW STAR,
765 PRO'S CD RELEASE PUT ON HOLD
WHY DID HE...
HE'S DONE IT NOW, THAT DAMN KUROI.
HM?

HELLO...
OUI. IT'S BEEN A WHILE, TAKAGI.
!?
KUROI!?
KUKUKU...
YOUR IDEALS ARE TOO OLD FOR THIS BUSINESS.
KUROI... JUST WHAT DO YOU HAVE PLANNED !?
AHAHAHA! I'LL LET YOU KNOW!

WATCH YOUR PRECIOUS CAGED BIRD FLY INTO THE VAST SKY FROM 961 PRO.
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JUST RELAX AND WATCH THE SHOW FROM THAT HOSPITAL BED.

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MIKI... PICK UP THE PHONE...
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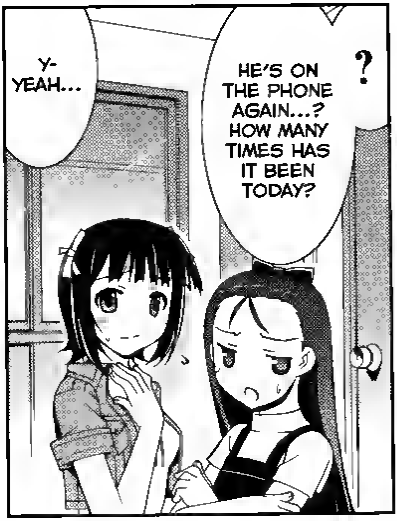
Y-YEAH...
HE'S ON THE PHONE AGAIN...? HOW MANY TIMES HAS IT BEEN TODAY?
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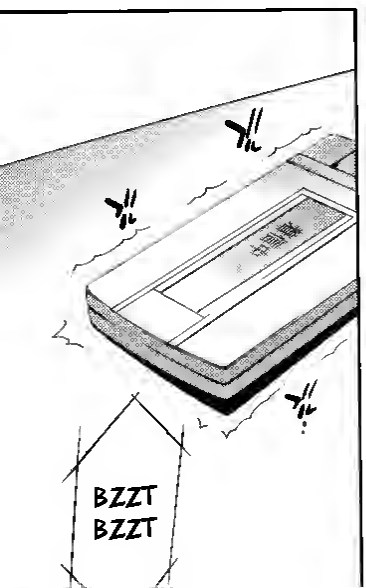
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Call from Yuutarou
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AH...
HM? HAS YOUR PHONE BEEN GOING OFF A LOT RECENTLY?
HM? NO, IT'S FROM A NUMBER I DON'T KNOW. IT MUST BE A WRONG NUMBER.
LET'S SEE. AFTER THIS YOU'VE GOT A SONG RECORDING! TODAYS' SCHEDULE IS RATHER SPLIT UP SO TAKE CARE NOT TO LOSE TRACK OF TIME
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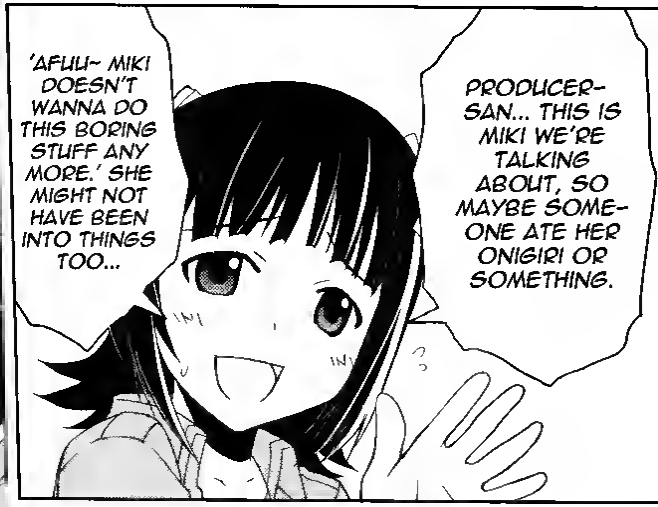
MIKI-KUN!
Y-YES!
...
OH

!?
WHY DID YOU TRANSFER TO 961 PRO!?
MIKI...
3RD PLACE ON THIS WEEK'S ORICON CHARTS!
PROJECT FAIRY'S OVERMASTER!
L-LET'S TURN OFF THE TV!

E-EVERY-ONE...

WE WERE JUST STARTING TO GO PLACES TOO...
WHY TO SOMEPLACE LIKE 961 PRO...

DID... SOME-THING HAPPEN?
YEAH
COULD THIS BE HARASS-MENT FROM 961 PRO TOO...?


'AFUU~ MIKI DOESN'T WANNA DO THIS BORING STUFF ANY MORE.' SHE MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN INTO THINGS TOO...
PRODUCER-SAN... THIS IS MIKI WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, SO MAYBE SOME-ONE ATE HER ONIGIRI OR SOMETHING.

DEEP...

I KNOW IT'S A BAD TIME, BUT YOU ALL NEED TO START GETTING READY FOR WORK...
AH... OH NO!!
B-BUT...
BUT... IF IT WAS SOMETHING LIKE THAT, SHE COULD TALK TO US ABOUT IT.
AH, JEEZ! I HATE THIS ATMOSPHERE!
IORI-CHAN?

!?
ESPE-CIALLY YOU!
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO BE GETTING DE-PRESSED!
HAVE YOU NO SHAME!? DO YOU WANT TO LOSE LIKE THIS!?
THAT'S WHY 961 PRO IS GETTING US!
SINCE YOU DECLARED 961 PRO AS OUR RIVALS THE RESULT WAS US NOT PUTTING OUT A CD!
JEEZ! GO AHEAD AND BURDEN ALL THE RESPON-SIBILITY!
IF YOU WANT TO THINK IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT, THEN DO SO!
W-WHAT'S WITH YOU. USUALLY YOU'D YELL BACK...
SO... IT'S MY FAULT? BECAUSE I WASN'T RELIABLE?

B-BUT, IT'S ONLY BEEN 3 DAYS SINCE THE MEET-ING ABOUT THE CD.
THERE'S NO WAY THEY COULD CHANGE THE CD JACKETS IN JUST 3 DAYS.
WE DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH MONEY EITHER...
...FINE! YOU ALL CAN SIT HERE AND MOPE! I'LL GO TO WORK BY MYSELF!

HMPH!

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YEAH...
MIKI BEING HERE IS ONE PROBLEM, BUT WE STILL HAVE WORK TO DO!

EVERYONE'S SMILING AT A TIME LIKE THIS...
THEY ARE PROS...

I WONDER HOW MIKI'S FEELING RIGHT NOW.
COMPARED TO THEM, I'M STILL...
THE REASON BEHIND 765 PRO'S IDOL SUDDENLY TRANSFERRING!!
I KNEW IT.
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THIS KIND OF BUSINESS IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR A HIGH SCHOOLER TREATING BEING A PRODUCER LIKE A PART-TIME JOB.
I THOUGHT SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAPPEN FROM THE START.
I BET THEIR IDOLS ARE WORRIED.
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STOP SAYING SUCH OBVIOUS THINGS WITH THAT FACE
I THOUGHT ABOUT THESE THINGS TOO!

OH, THERE HE IS!
YOU'RE THE PRODUCER HE WAS TALKING ABOUT, RIGHT!?
EH!?
THE ONE HE...
SO THE REASON THAT HOSHII MIKI SUDDENLY TRANSFERRED IS BECAUSE OF YOU!?
T-THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW!
SAY SOMETHING TO HOSHII-SAN!
HOW WILL YOU HANDLE THIS SITUATION!?

WHY DID IT HAVE TO TURN OUT LIKE THIS...
MIKI WAS TRYING SO HARD TOO...
AND THEN...
THIS HAS TO BE 961 PRO'S DOING
BUT...

"SO THE REASON THAT HOSHII MIKI SUDDENLY TRANS-FERRED IS BECAUSE OF YOU!?"
IN THE END, MIKI HERSELF CHOSE TO GO THERE.
IT MUST...
PRODUCER-SAN..
IT MUST BE BECAUSE I'M UNRE-LIABLE.
I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE.

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!?

MY FAMILY...
BESIDES, YOU DON'T EVEN CARE ABOUT MY FEELINGS...
W-WHAT DO YOU WANT? DID YOU COME TO YELL AT ME AGAIN?
IDIOT...
NOW YOU'RE GOING TO BRAG?
...MY FAMILY IS ONE OF THE ELITES.
MY FATHER IS THE HEAD OF THE CORPORATION...
MY TWO OLDER BROTHERS ARE GREAT TOO...
BUT, I'M A GIRL, RIGHT?
FATHER HAS HIGH HOPES FOR MY OLDER BROTHERS...

BECAUSE OF THAT, THEY DON'T LOOK AFTER ME VERY MUCH...
AH...
SO... I CAN UNDER-STAND YOUR FEELINGS A LITTLE...
YOU'RE... WORRYING ABOUT ME...
BUT...

I'M GOING TO WORK HARD AND BECOME TOP IDOL AND HAVE YOU LOOK AT ME!!!
I CAN'T STAY QUIET ABOUT ABOUT THIS SORT OF THING!
!
SO THAT'S WHY SHE'S ALWAYS ACTING CONFIDENT AND HIGH-HANDED...
WORK HARD...
AND LOOK AFTER HER.
AL-THOUGH...
Y-YOU'RE RIGHT.
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SO YOU SHOULD STOP BEING DEPRESSED ABOUT THIS ALREADY!

I'LL FORGIVE YOU IF YOU CRY...
IF IT'S DIF-FICULT
IORI...

PRODUC-ER-SAN...
IORI...
UU...
UWAAAAA!!
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE NOT NEEDED HERE.
E-EVERY-ONE CAME TOO!?

MIKI...
HEY, YOU. DO YOU HAVE ANY BUSINESS HERE?
I WON'T CRY ANY-MORE!
MY NAME IS TAKAGI YUUTAROU FROM 765 PRO.
I CAME HERE TO HAVE A CONVERSA-TION WITH HOSHII MIKI.
TAKAGI...? AH, YOU'RE THAT USELESS HIGH SCHOOLER PRODUCER?
SOMEONE LIKE YOU DEFINITELY ISN'T COMING IN!
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UU... THEN...

!?
UOOO OOH!!! I'LL FORCE MY WAY THROUGH !!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? NO WAY I'LL LET YOU PASS!
I'M A PRODUCER WHO WON'T GIVE UP!
UW AAAAH!!

IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU HIT THE WALL...
KEEP GOING! YOU CAN DEFINITELY BECME A TOP IDOL, MIKI.
BUT...

IF IT GETS TOO DIFFICULT, YOU CAN COME BACK AT ANY TIME!!

GOOD, GOOD, MIKI-CHAN.
OKAY, WE'RE GONNA TAKE A BREAK
OKAY.
PRODUCER, HOW WAS MY POSE JUST NOW?
AH...N-NEVER MIND.
YUUTA-ROU...